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Keith Morris

Morris to present 'Little Boxes'

Keith Morris of Tupelo, recipient of ICC's Mississippi Humanities Teacher of the Year Award for 2022, will present "Little Boxes: the Importance of Purpose" at 6 p.m., Mar. 28, at the Health Science Education Center at the Tupelo Campus.

"I've come to think of my writing as little boxes, idea containers," Morris said. "My purpose for writing has changed since I first started. As my purpose has changed, so has the care with which I build and fill the little boxes."

Morris earned the bachelor's degree from the University of Mississippi and the master's degree from Mississippi State University. - ***See Morris, page four.***

Dean, Ward attain Gold, Silver award status

Staff Reports

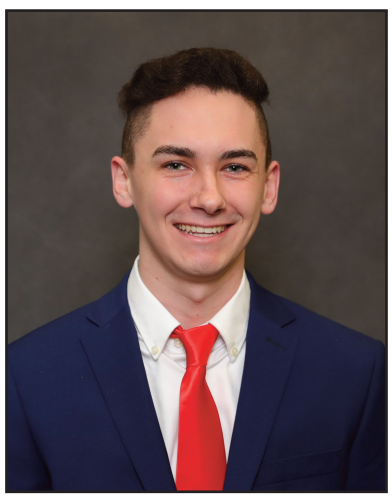
Haley Dean of Saltillo has been selected as a Gold Scholar on Coca-Cola's 2022 Academic Team, and Ely Ward of Mooreville, Silver Scholar.

The last time that ICC had Gold and Silver Scholars was in 2016, according to Robin Lowe, Phi Theta Kappa contact adviser. "We are excited to have, once again, two Coca-Cola Scholars this year. These students remind us that the power of resiliency overcomes the toughest obstacles, and they are leaving a lasting legacy to inspire future ICC students."

Dean is majoring in mechanical engineering at ICC, where she is the vice president of scholarship for the Phi Theta Kappa Upsilon Sigma Chapter; member of the Honors College, Baptist Student Union, Science Club and Indian Delegation; president of the Student Government Association and a previous Orientation Leader. Dean is also a Supplemental Instructor and a student worker in the Telecommunications and Information Services Department. Along with her team, she was named a finalist in the Community College Innovation Challenge sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges and National Science Foundation. She is a recipient of the STEM Summer Internship with Brown University and the Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship. Her additional honors include Mississippi All-Academic Team, ICC Hall of Fame and Miss ICC. Dean has been on the ICC President's List every semester. She attends Harrisburg Baptist Church. Her parents are Leslie and Gary Dean.



Haley Dean



Ely Ward

At ICC, Ward is a Supplemental Instruction Leader for college algebra, member of the Indian Delegation, Phi Theta Kappa Regional Officer, Upsilon Sigma Chapter vice president of service and Distinguished Chapter Officer and Food Pantry cofounder. His honors include Hall of Fame, Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship, Mississippi All-State Academic Team and President's List (every semester). Ward's other activities are ICC intramural basketball and PTK community service events. He attends Endville Baptist Church. His parents are Nathan and Kelly Ward.

Dean will receive a $1,500 scholarship, and Ward, $1,250.

Selections were based on the score earned in the All-USA Academic Team competition, for which more than 2,000 applications were received this year. The program is sponsored by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation and is administered by the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

The Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team awards 50 New Century Gold Scholars ($1,500), 50 Silver Scholars ($1,250) and 50 Bronze Scholars ($1,000). Each scholar also receives a commemorative medallion.

Nominate someone today for ICC high honor

Itawamba Community College's faculty, staff and students are invited and encouraged to submit nominations for Meritorious Awards for 2022.

The deadline for submission for the nominations for ICC's highest honor is Apr. 14.

All full-time employees with a minimum of three years at ICC are eligible to receive the award. Individuals cannot be selected more than once.

The criteria includes outstanding job performance, teaching, coaching, guidance, service, unselfish dedication to students and the College; outstanding leadership at the College, community involvement and/or professional organizations; and other criteria: publications/grants; club and student activities involvement. - ***See Meritorious, page five.***

ICC Most Beautiful '22 pageant set for Apr. 13

Staff Reports

Approximately 50 contestants will compete for the title of Itawamba Community College's Most Beautiful 2022, Apr. 13 at 7 p.m. at the Davis Event Center on the Fulton Campus.

They include Brooklyn O'Connor of Aberdeen; Anna Brooke Bryant, Morgan Mitchell, both of Amory; Maggie Maeson McVey of Blue Springs; Taylor White, Lori Leachman, both of Bruce; Mary Grace Hale of Calhoun City; Ce'Ariah Shaw of Eupora; Juliana Hendricks, Kaitlyn Marie Plunkett, Ariel Shumpert, Emily Pate, Laura Leigh Johnson, Madison Weaver, Emma Grace Allen, all of Fulton; Hannah Renae Vance, Bo Hanna Shackelford, both of Guntown; Aniston Leigh Akins, Payton Atkins, both of Hamilton; Madeline Elizabeth Comer, Bailee Caples, both of Mantachie; Allyson June Harrison of Mantee; Josie Sims, Anniston Channing Pearce, Jordan Dutcher, Allison Moore, all of Mooreville; Jodi Parks of New Albany; Zoe Bigham of Philadelphia; Emily Klaire Clowers, Abbey Montgomery, Anna Claire Warren, Maclaine Griffith, all of Pontotoc; Sarah Katherine Thompson of Potts Camp; Leah Pennington of Randolph; Bailey Madison Bolton of Red Bay, Ala.; Mattee Berry of Russellville, Ala.; Aleena Komarec, Ivy Jewel Johns, AJalauh Caldwell, Riley Miller, all of Saltillo; Lindsey Cox of Smithville; Holly Reed Carrington of Southaven; Madison Martin, Raven Nichole Ivy, Kylee Jade Whitt, Chloe Minich, Mary Morgan Lyle and Jordyn Wilson, all of Tupelo.

Tickets, which are $10, are on sale at www.iccms.edu/tickets.

The event is sponsored by the ICC Travel Tribe.

For more information, email Jessi Stevenson at jpstevenson@iccms.edu or Dr. Edana Nail at elnail@iccms.edu.

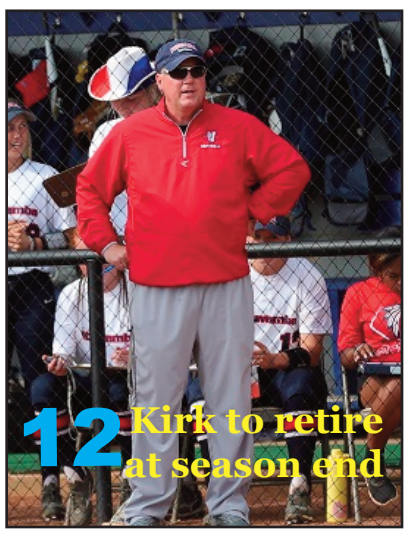
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VIEWPOINT

CHLOE EVANS
Staff Writer

New year... new beginning

Throughout the years, students have anticipated the week-long break in the spring semester.

As kids, we enjoyed being away from school and the opportunity to play outside. We created imaginary worlds for ourselves and dreamed of the day we would never go to school again.

Now...we have spring break to slow down time. We try to relish every minute because we know that these are the last spring breaks we will ever have.



Many students use this time to take trips with friends, visit family, go skiing in Alaska, retreat to a tent for camping, clean out their space or catch up on school work.

This period of rest allows both students (and teachers) to take a break from tests, busy schedules, tons of emails and the stress that college life entails.

However, you chose to use your week away, ICC is buzzing with students (and teachers) returning.

Students, faculty and staff are smoothly getting back into the swing of things and quickly preparing for the many fun events planned for the upcoming weeks.

For freshmen, this is their first experience with ICC in the spring. I strongly encourage you to look at yearbooks from past years, ask a sophomore and keep up-to-date by following all of ICC's social media pages to become more knowledgeable and get involved with ICC traditions.

Sophomores have memories from last year and eagerly await the joy that campus activities will bring.

ICC has an amazing staff and student organizations that are busy planning activities that will exceed our expectations and offer creative opportunities for students to have a good time.

All of us have an opportunity to participate, create our own fun and memorable experiences for the rest of the semester..

ICC strongly encourages involvement because with the right attitude, each week can be enjoyable, like spring break.

Students can grab a coffee and enjoy the fresh spring air, hang their hammocks and talk with friends, watch a movie at the Student Activities Center, join an intramural team and have a picnic at the Crane Pavilion or the pavilion at the Tupelo Campus.

There are also activities for students at the Belden Center.

The possibilities are endless, but the time that students have at ICC isn't. Two years are what we have. We don't have to wait for our week off to get some rest and enjoy life.

Make each day enjoyable and memorable. Start today, if you haven't already, and make your two years count!

Letters
TO THE EDITOR

The Chieftain will print letters to the editor or guest commentaries. However, they must be signed and include a valid ICC email address and telephone number. Anonymous submissions will not be printed. The Chieftain reserves the right to print or reject letters or to edit them for clarity and space.

OPINION POLL

What do you think...

"I you could have only one type of technology in your life, what would it be and why?"

Eliseo Fernandez
Sophomore
Pontotoc
"An electric car because I love driving, but with gas prices going up, it is making that a bit difficult."

Lanna Dozier
Sophomore
Plantersville
"My phone because I can have access to my friends and music, and I can take pictures."

Celeste Clayton
Freshman
Pontotoc
"My phone because you can still access the Internet and communicate with people."

Barrett Holton
Sophomore
Pontotoc
"A jet because I'd like to have my own personal, private transportation whenever I want."

Sarah Gonzalez-Oribe
Freshman
New Albany
"My phone because I'm always on it."

Morgan Young
Freshman
Houston
"My phone because it's how I keep in touch with family and friends...police or medical services in case of emergency, my flashlight, music player and TV and camera."

Emma Jackson
Freshman
Ripley
"The Internet."

Nathaniel Hawkins
Sophomore
Pontotoc
"I'd be okay with a submarine. I'm fascinated with water, but I can't swim."

Lillian Phifer
Freshman
Tishomingo
"It would be my phone because it's compact...I can take it everywhere..a combination of several technologies into one."

ANNA GREGORY

VIEWPOINT

DONNA THOMAS
Adviser

I'm going to write it now...maybe

It's 10 a.m. on Thursday...I am just sitting down to write this column. The Chieftain layout HAS to be finished by no later than 3 p.m. tomorrow. That should give me plenty of time.

It's 8:27 a.m. on Friday...I am just sitting down to write this column...AGAIN. The Chieftain layout HAS to be done by 3 p.m. today. I have to figure out something to write about NOW.

It's not that don't get things done...I do. Sometimes when I can't figure out what to write, I just procrastinate.

Amazingly enough, yesterday at 12:39 p.m. I received an email from Innovative Educators, and it's topic was "How can you help students with procrastination?" How can I HELP anyone else with procrastination because I DO IT MYSELF?

According to the report, 80-95 percent of college students procrastinate to some degree.

But, I'm not a college student...I'm old.

Sometimes it's easier to put off until tomorrow what I should be doing today. Life gets in the way. I'd rather do something else.

But in my defense, yesterday, I had news releases to write and other people's jobs to proofread.

But today at now...8:34 a.m., I HAVE to do this.

The report also said that 80 percent of students have negative feelings after procrastinating, and 94 percent of people felt that procrastination has negatively affected their happiness.

I do, too...If I had written this yesterday, I wouldn't be in panic mode, and it would have been much better than last minute writing to fill this space, because the Chieftain has to be posted on Monday.

With my background in journalism/public relations, I have always been deadline-driven. If it's due at noon, I might not have it finished until 11:59 a.m., but I have thought extensively about how I will string the words together to make the story the best that it can be.

One of my former bosses, who was a "do it two weeks ahead kind of guy," just couldn't understand how I could wait until the LAST MINUTE. I tried to explain that when I'm writing multiple articles, doing sports information, the yearbook and the newspaper, I have to do the best that I can with my time. After a while, it still made him nervous that I was going to miss a deadline, but he better understood and was more patient.

In my defense, this wasn't procrastination since it is the act of unnecessarily postponing decisions or actions. For example, according to the information, "if someone postpones an assignment until right before its deadline, despite the fact that they intended to work on it earlier, that person is procrastinating." Perhaps this time it wasn't procrastination, but I do procrastinate just like you do. Every day!

Procrastination is tied to the internet, the survey said. "People spent on average almost half of their time online procrastinating, amounting to an average of 1.59 hours of internet procrastination every day." Add to that social media, shopping, visiting and whatever else we do....

It appears that I have run out of space. Maybe next time I will start writing earlier...or maybe not.

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Faculty SPOTLIGHT

Megan Eidt

Social Science Division

FAMILY: *Married to Michael Eidt for 25 years. Two children, Sussanah and Harrison, both attend the University of Mississippi; Two dogs adopted from the Tupelo Humane Society, an Australian Shepard mix (Archie) and Australian Shepard lab, spaniel mix (Sadie)*

EDUCATION: *Undergraduate degree from the University of Mississippi; B.A. degree in political science and history, Center for Bilingual and Multicultural Studies, Cuernavaca, Mexico; M.A. degree in history, Mississippi College*

COURSES TAUGHT: *American History I and II, Wester Civilization I and II, Honors History*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE: *Taught at ICC for the past 17 years*

POSITIVE ASPECTS OF TEACHING: *"Definitely working with the students. As soon as I step foot in the classroom and see their faces, I feel invigorated and excited about the day. Their energy, questions, comments and even facial expressions in class keep me motivated, and I know that I am in that classroom for a purpose. I feel truly blessed to be a part of their educational experience at ICC. I also love the subject matter of history and that it provides us both insight and perspective. "History is who we are and why we are the way we are."*

ADVICE TO STUDENTS: *"I would urge students to remember that there is always more to learn. Stay inquisitive, keep an open mind and spend more time listening."*

SARA MOORE
Staff Writer

TayaRenea Baggett, Chloe Evans
Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship semifinalists

Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College sophomores TayaRenea Leigh Baggett of Hamilton and Chloe Evans of Plantersville have been selected as semifinalists for the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship.

Baggett is majoring in music education with emphasis on trumpet. Her activities and honors include Phi Theta Kappa, choir, chamber choir, brass ensemble, band, Honors College, President's List, recipient of the Dean's and Linda Kay Gilreath Endowed Scholarships and former member of CenterStage. She is a member of St. James Catholic Church where she is in the choir. Baggett's parents are Christie and Joseph Hesse.

Evans' activities and honors at ICC include Band/Indianette, Indian Delegation president,



TayaRenea Baggett



Chloe Evans

Lead Orientation Leader, Student Government Association At-Large representative, Phi Theta Kappa vice president of leadership, Sigma Kappa Delta president, Honors College, Chieftain staff writer, Fashion Tribe graphic designer, Baptist Student Union and Wesley Foundation. She is also the recipient of the Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship. Her parents are Brad and Melissa Evans.

The Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship is a highly-selective scholarship for the nation's top community college students seeking to complete their bachelor's degrees at for-year colleges or universities. Each Cooke Scholar has access to generous financial support for two to three years, college planning support, ongoing advising and the opportunity to connect with the thriving community of fellow Scholars.

This year's 440 semifinalists were selected from a pool of more than 1,200 applicants attending 180 community colleges in 35 states.

"This past year has been particularly difficult as students continue to navigate the complexities of hybrid learning, the demands of family care and disrupted work schedules," said Seppy Basili, executive director of the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation. "We are so proud of these semifinalists for their perseverance and achievements at their community colleges."

Since its inception, the Cooke Foundation has selected transfer students from over 337 community colleges and has awarded more than $54 million in transfer scholarships

The Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship recipients will be announced in early May. Cooke Transfer Scholars are selected based on their exceptional academic ability and achievement, financial need, persistence, service and leadership. Students must be currently enrolled in community college or recent alumni.

Stanford, Dean elected Mr., Miss ICC

Staff Reports

John Bryant Stanford and Haley Dean, both of Saltillo, have been elected Mr. and Miss Itawamba Community College for 2021-22.

Stanford's activities and honors at ICC include cheerleading captain, student activities, Fashion Tribe, Orientation Leader and Indian Delegation. He is also a member of Belden Baptist Church. His parents are Jim and Evanglina Stanford.

At ICC, Dean is Phi Theta Kappa (Upsilon Sigma) vice president of scholarships, Fulton Campus Student Government Association president, founding member of ICC's Food Pantry, Honors College participant, Supplemental Instructor, TIS student worker, member of the Indian Delegation and Baptist Student Union and former Orientation Leader. Dean is the recipient of the Linda Kay Gilreath Scholarship, Salutatorian Scholarship, Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship and NASA Space Grant Scholarship. Her honors include Mississippi All-Academic Team, STEM Summer Institute with Brown University, Hall of Fame and President's List. Dean and her team were also selected as a finalist in the Community College Innovation Challenge sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges and the National Science Foundation. She attends Harrisburg Baptist Church, tutors in STEM subjects and previously helped coach Saltillo High School's Swim Team. She is the daughter of Gary and Leslie Dean.

Stanford and Dean will be featured in the 2022 ICC yearbook, the Mirror.



Haley Dean and John Bryant Stanford
Mr. and Miss ICC

Clippard, Richardson receive Walgreens/Phi Theta Kappa scholarship

Itawamba Community College Pharmacy Technician program graduates Amber Clippard and Kristian Richardson, both of Nettleton, are the recipients of a $250 scholarship to cover the cost of the Pharmacy Technician Certification exam fee from Walgreens and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

The Walgreens Pharmacy Technician Certification Scholarship recognizes students who are enrolled in Allied Health or Pharmacy Technician programs and intend to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification exam. Clippard and Richardson are among only 25 students selected to receive the award.

Clippard's honors and memberships have included Health Occupation Students Association and the National Technical Honor Society. She is married to Dustin Clippard.

Richardson is a member of the Beta Tau Sigma Chapter of PTK. She attends Crosspointe Church in Nettleton. Richardson and her husband, Blake, are the parents of three children, Brooklynn, Kayden and Brynsleigh.

"We are excited about the opportunity to partner with Walgreens to offer career opportunities and scholarships," said Dr. Monica Marlowe, executive director of the Phi Theta Kappa Foundation. "Certification exam costs often create a financial barrier for students that hinders their ability to enter the workforce. We are grateful to Walgreens for addressing these challenges and providing a pathway to great career opportunities."

The scholarship application is open year-round, and winners are selected twice a year, in the spring and the fall. Up to 50 awards are given each year.

Phi Theta Kappa is the premier honor society recognizing the academic achievement of students at associate degree-granting colleges and helping them to grow as scholars and leaders. The Society is made up of more than 3.5 million members and nearly 1,300 chapters in 10 countries, with approximately 240,000 active members in the nation's colleges.

FYI
MAKE A NOTE OF IT

Health program deadline approaches

Staff Reports

May 1 is the deadline for the submission of applications for health science programs at Itawamba Community College.

They include associate degree nursing, diagnostic medical sonography, emergency medical sciences, health information technology, licensed practical nursing (August class), occupational therapy assistant technology, physical therapist assistant technology, public health technology, radiologic technology, respiratory care technology and surgical technology.

For more information about program requirements, access ICC's website at www.iccms.edu or call (662) 620-5239.

Apply by Apr. 1 for ICC Foundation scholarships

Staff Reports

Apr. 1 is the deadline for submission for online applications for scholarships awarded by the itawamba Community College Foundation, Inc.

A list of scholarships with complete descriptions and an online application are available at https://www.iccms.edu/Scholarships.

Foundation scholarships are established and privately funded for ICC students by individuals, businesses and organizations.

For more information on the application process or scholarship endowment, contact Michael Upton, director of advancement, at maupton@iccms.edu or foundation@iccms.edu or (662) 862-8035.

Food Service Pathway class set for Apr. 4

Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College has scheduled a Food Service Pathway class at the Belden Center (3200 Adams Farm Rd.) beginning Apr. 4.

Classes will meet Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. through Apr. 29.

The program includes Serve Safe® Food Manager Certification, Serve Safe® Alcohol Certification, CPR, certificate of completion, proper food handling standards, kitchen safety practices, culinary techniques, interview skills and résumé building, money handling and both front- and back-of-the-house operations. Tuition assistance may be available for qualified applicants.

For more information or to register, contact program director Christy Scheuer at acscheuer@iccms.edu or (662) 407-1505; or pathway coordinator Josh Gammill at jcgammill@iccms.edu or (662) 407-1569 or pathways@iccms.edu.

Morris
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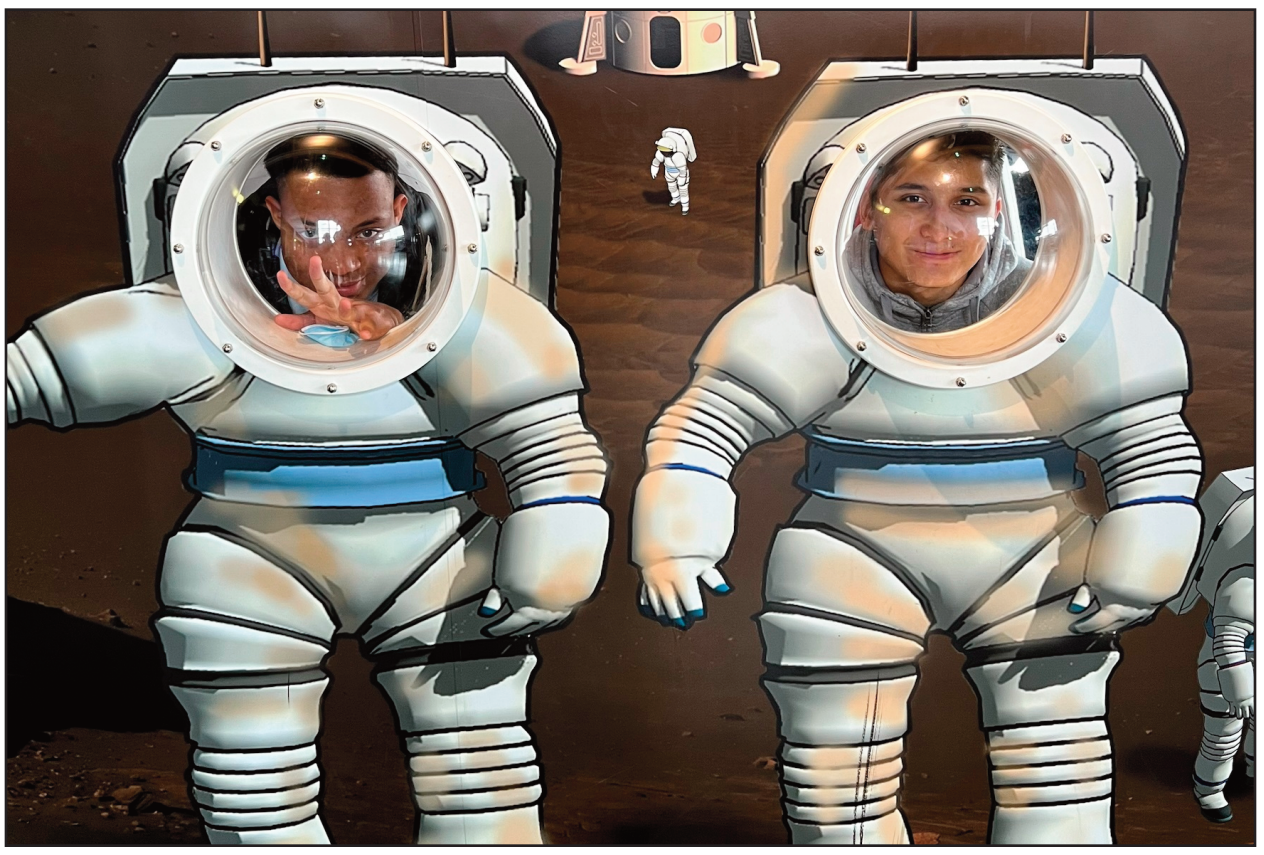
Since 2008, Morris has served as an English instructor at ICC, where he has co-created World Literature I and Drama Production IV and created Writing for Publication. He is poetry editor for "The Calliope" and sponsor for both Sigma Kappa Delta and Film Club. Morris has served as a poetry judge for SKD's Hedera Helix literary journal for the last two years and ICC's entries for the Mississippi Community College Writing Association. His honors also include William Winter Scholar.

Morris and his wife, Shannon, have two sons, Parker, 14, and Connor, 12. He is the son of Lou Nell and Buck Morris of Batesville.



Rocket 'Trip'

ICC's Science Club visited the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Ala., Feb. 25. The 20 students toured the Davidson Center for Space Exploration and ISS: Science on Orbit. They also visited INTUITIVE Planetarium and the featured exhibition, The Science of Guiness World Records. Students were supported through Mississippi Space Grant Consortium funds.



Five ICC students to receive NASA Space Grant Scholarships

Staff Reports

Five Itawamba Community College students have been selected as the recipients of $500 NASA Space Grant Scholarships.

They include McKinley Paige Dean of Aberdeen; Jacob Clinton of Guntown; Haley Dean, Austin Sanders and Emma Cate Sparks, all of Saltillo.

The NASA Space Grant scholarship program supports the advancement of academically-focused undergraduates seeking professional careers in the natural sciences, especially space physics and engineering, mathematics and science/mathematics education.

Clinton is an aerospace engineering – aeronautics major at ICC, where he is a member of the Indian Delegation, Student Government Association representative for Lee County, Phi Theta Kappa officer, member of the Baptist Student Union Lead Team – Bible Study Leader, regular attendee at the Wesley Foundation and STEM student. He plans to transfer to Mississippi State University where he will be part of the co-op program to benefit from hands-on experience for his major as well as a resident adviser for MSU housing. He is the son of Rebecca Duffie and Ashley Clinton.

Haley Dean is majoring in mechanical engineering at ICC, where she is the vice president of scholarship for the Phi Theta Kappa Upsilon Sigma Chapter; member of the Honors College, Baptist Student Union, Science Club and Indian Delegation; president of the Student Government Association and a previous Orientation Leader. Dean is also a Supplemental Instructor and a student worker in the Telecommunications and Information Services Department. Along with her team, she was named a finalist in the Community College Innovation Challenge sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges and National Science Foundation. She is a recipient of the STEM Summer Internship with Brown University, Mississippi All-Academic Team, ICC Hall of Fame and Miss ICC. Dean has been on the ICC President's List every semester. She attends Harrisburg Baptist Church. After graduating from ICC in May, she plans to transfer to Mississippi State University. Her parents are Leslie and Gary Dean.

McKinley Dean is a member of the Wesley Foundation at ICC where she will graduate in May. She will transfer to Mississippi State University to complete her degree in broadcast meteorology. Her parents are Derrick and Tiffany Dean.

Sanders, who is a President's List scholar, is majoring in mechanical engineering at ICC, where his activities have included member of Phi Theta Kappa, the Science Club, Baptist Student Union and the Honors College. He is also a student worker in the library. Sanders attends Bethany Baptist Church in Saltillo. After ICC, he plans to transfer to Mississippi State University. He is the son of Craig and Patty Sanders.

Sparks, who is majoring in biological sciences, will transfer to Mississippi State University this fall. She plans to pursue a graduate degree in occupational therapy. At ICC, Sparks is a member of the Indian Delegation, Phi Theta Kappa and Pom Squad/Indianette; an Orientation Leader and vice president of the Student Government Association. She is the daughter of Bert and Meisha Sparks.

#THEBESTSTARTHERE

Meeting Room
CLUB NEWS & CALENDAR

FULTON CAMPUS

Archery Club	Scott Milam	862.8412
Art Club	Shawn Whittington	862.8301
Bass Club	Ethan Cruse	862.8233
Chieftain	Donna Thomas	862.8244
Comm. Chiefs	Jessi Stevenson	862.8308
Computer Club	Bradley Howard	620.5329
Disc Golf	discgolf@iccms.edu	
Educators Rising	Chris Cox	862.8181
	Bobby Jarrell	862.8183
Fashion Tribe	Taylor Tutor	862.8281
	C.J. Adams	862.8074
Forestry Club	Emily Loden Jones	862.8147
ICC Films	Morgan Cutturini	862.8167
ICC Honors College	Robin Lowe	862.8166
	Heather McCormick	862.8191
ICC Orient. Leaders	Dr. Melissa Haab	862.8051
	Jake Hartfield	862.8051
Indian Delegation	Jake Hartfield	862.8051
	Makaela Dickerson	862.8252
Mirror	C.J. Adams	862.8074
Modern Language	Anna Begnaud	862.8292
Phi Theta Kappa	Robin Lowe	862.8166
	Bradley Howard	620,5329
	Jay Humphries	862.8381
Political Science	Chris Stevenson	862.8169
	Megan Eidt	620.5044
Science Club	Dr. Jada Mills	862.8369
	Lindsey Patterson	862.8359
Sigma Kappa Delta	Keith Morris	862.8326
	Anna Begnaud	862.8292
	Jenny Bowers	620.5112
	Dr. Ashley Lancaster	862.8326
	Nathan Ward	862.8164
Social Media Amb.	Maggie Caldwell	862.8241
STEM	Bradley Howard	862.8140
	Heather McCormick	862.8191
	Dr. Jada Mills	862.8369
Student Gov. Assn.	Dr. Chad Case	862.8232
	Dr. Brad Boggs	862.8271
	Jake Hartfield	862.8428
Travel Tribe	Jessi Stevenson	862.8308
	Dr. Edana Nail	862.8056
	Chris Stevenson	862.8169

TUPELO CAMPUS

Archery Club	Scott Milam	862.8412
Bass Club	Ethan Cruse	862.8233
Comp. Prog./Net.	Tanya Cox	620.5114
	Dr. Delena Hukle	620.5163
	Cindy Layman	620.5116
	Doris McCreary	620.5117
Future Rad. Tech.	Dr. Paul Crum	620.5233
Future Resp. Ther.	Adam Denton	620.5238
Indian Delegation	Michael Holloway	620.5278
Legal Ed. Assn.	Jamie Hall	620.5342
	Bo Rowland	620.5340
MOSA	Dr. Robin Sims	620.5222
	Dr. Tamar Lucas	620.5218
	Dr. Lauren Asters	620.5208
NCF	Linda Bond	620.5210
OTA	Dee Dee Lomenick	620.5026
Phi Theta Kappa	Jenny Bowers	620.5045
	Dr. Delena Hukle	620.5163
	Dr. Ira Lindsay Jones	620.5043
Student Gov. Assn.	Cynthia Adams	620.5305
	Jake Hartfield	862.8428
SHIMA	Donna Vaughn	620.5123
Student PTA Club	Dr. Cheryl Ware	620.5025
Travel Tribe	Jessi Stevenson	862.8308
	Dr. Edana Nail	862.8056
	Chris Stevenson	862.8169

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

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Wesley Foundation	Zac Cox	255.2339

For more information on ICC clubs and organizations, www.iccms.edu.



Students participate in table game night at the David C. Cole Student Services Building at the Fulton Campus.



Residence hall students learn nutrition tips, Mar. 8.

Residence Halls continue to provide activities for all



Game night participants have an opportunity to visit as well as play cards.

Howard to receive Paragon award

Staff Reports

Bradley Howard of Saltillo, Computer Science Division chair at ICC, has been selected as a recipient of Phi Theta Kappa's 2022 Paragon Award for New Advisers.

He will be among those recognized during PTK Catalyst 2022, the society's annual convention in Denver, Colo., Apr. 7-9.

Howard, who has been employed at ICC since 2006, is sponsor for the STEM and Computer clubs and eLearning lead instructor for computer science. His committee service includes College Council, Commencement, Curriculum, eLearning, Honors Council, Instructional Policies and Planning and Assessment.

Howard's honors include Lamplighter award recipient and sponsor for ICC's first Top 10 finalist team for the American Association of Community Colleges and National Science Foundation's 2021 Community College Innovation Challenge. He also cowrote a $20,000 grant that ICC received to implement a STEM Club, STEM week and an Introduction to STEM Professions course. Howard is a member of the Association for Computing Machinery and is currently serving on a STEM Research committee which will enable two ICC students to partner with Dr. Erica Walker of Brown University for a summer STEM research internship locally. He earned the bachelor's degree from the University of Mississippi and the master's degree from Mississippi State University.



Bradley Howard

Meritorious
From page one

Additional criteria includes contributions to the college through committees, special projects, volunteerism, service to the community as a representative of the college and art exhibitions, concerts and public performances.

Award recipients will be honored during an afternoon ceremony on May 6, according to Tyler Camp, chief of staff and special assistant to the President.

All ICC employees as well as currently enrolled students can nominate.

Information that is requested includes "How has this person made a difference at Itawamba Community College? What outstanding contributions has this person made for the students at Itawamba Community College."

For a nomination to be considered, multiple criteria or reasons why the nominee deserves the award must be listed as well as recent accomplishments, if applicable,"Camp said.

The form also indicates that providing more than a single statement will give the nominee the best opportunity for selection.

The nomination form has been emailed to both students and employees and more information is located at www.iccms.edu/awards.

Nominations are to be submitted to the office of the President or emailed to awards@iccms.edu.

2020 winners include John Wayne Harris, Julia Houston, Seth Shelnut, Holli White Tomlinson, Allyson Cummings, Brandi Henley and Christy Colburn (Outstanding Faculty Member award).

Those selected in 2021 are Lee Adams, Steven West, Connie Yielding, Roy Hadley, Amber King, Dr. Angie Morris and Dr. Deborah "Debbie" Scott (Outstanding Faculty Member).

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Contact information available at www.iccms.edu by clicking on the area of interest or by searching the college directory at the same location.



ICC students paint kindness rocks during Mental Health Awareness week, which was observed Mar. 7-10 with activities at all three ICC locations.

Reaching Out...

ICC 'rocks' mental health awareness week

Staff Reports

With national attention focused on mental health awareness, especially after a two-year pandemic, Itawamba Community College joined the cause with an observation of Mar. 7-10 featuring activities to relieve stress.

And ICC 'rocked it!"

Among the activities was painting kindness rocks on Tuesday.

Faculty members participated in a professional development session entitled "Stress, School and Self-Care: Mental Health Awareness Challenges and Ways to Weather the Storm" presented by Kim Sistrunk and Keia Williams, both of the Lifecore Health Group; and students had the opportunity to attend "What role does mental health play in healthcare?" sponsored by Access Behavioral Health Services.

The extensive list of other activities included outdoor yoga, a Spotify playlist, cornhole and corn chips, pet-a-puppy, spin, coloring station, donut and coffee with a cop and #National Popcorn Day.

Relaxation rooms, which were available all week in the libraries at both the Fulton and Tupelo campuses, remain open.

To enhance awareness, the David C. Cole Student Services Building on the Fulton Campus and the Academic and Student Center on the Tupelo Campus were lit green all week.



"While we continue to navigate unprecedented times in our world, we recognize that young adults are experiencing much higher levels of stress and are also reporting much higher rates of mental health challenges in recent years," said ICC President Dr. Jay Allen.

"With a nationwide awareness of the challenges that students face, especially resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, including social isolation and rapid transition to remote learning, ICC is actively working to accelerate student and employee assistance in mental health. That support will be in addition to our already active counseling services," Allen said.

Allen said that ICC faculty were encouraged to assign self-care homework and to urge participation in events by adding extra credit. A special professional development session for faculty, "It's ok to say no, even in the Hospitality State," is scheduled for next month.

"The Reach Out campaign is providing direct access to resources that are designed to assist students with these challenges," Allen said.

"We appreciate the work of our faculty and staff to provide, many times, one-on-one support systems for our students, not only through their encouragement but also just an opportunity for someone to listen," Allen said. "Also, we are extremely proud of our students to push forward and lean on each other when help is needed."

ICC elects SGA officers for '22-'23

Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College's students have elected Student Government Association officers for 2022-23.

They include

Fulton Campus - Emory Reinhard of Mantachie, president; Holly Reed Carrington of Southaven, vice president; Marly Moore of Fulton, secretary; Madison Copeland of Saltillo, treasurer;

Tupelo Campus - Jamarious Salters of Tupelo, president; Jacquillia Sorrel of Tupelo, vice president; and Amari Jamison of Tupelo, treasurer.

They will begin their terms of office this fall, when county and at-large representatives will be elected.



FYI

MAKE A NOTE OF IT

Recruiting Visits

March 29
Ole Miss -Tupelo
10:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
Tupelo Campus
Academic and Student Center
Back Lobby

March 30
Ole Miss -Oxford
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Fulton Campus
David C. Cole Student Services
Building Back Lobby

March 31
Ole Miss -Oxford
8:30-10:30 a.m.
Tupelo Campus
Academic and Student Center
Back Lobby

Indians Got Talent auditions this week

March 28
5-7 p.m.

March 30
5-7 p.m.

March 31
5-7 p.m.

First floor conference room
David C. Cole
Student Services Building
Fulton Campus
Sign Up: https:bit.ly/ICCIGT22

McBride brings classic 'Charlotte's Web' to ICC

EMMA CONNOR
Staff Writer

This spring semester, Dr. Laurie McBride, theatre instructor, has brought the classic "Charlotte's Web" to Itawamba Community College.

Due to renovations in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center, the production will be at the Cypress Pavilion on the Fulton Campus.

Show times are Mar. 31 and Apr. 1 at 4 p.m. and Apr. 2 at 2 p.m. In case of inclement weather, there will be optional shows on Apr. 8 at 4p.m. and Apr. 9 at 2p.m.

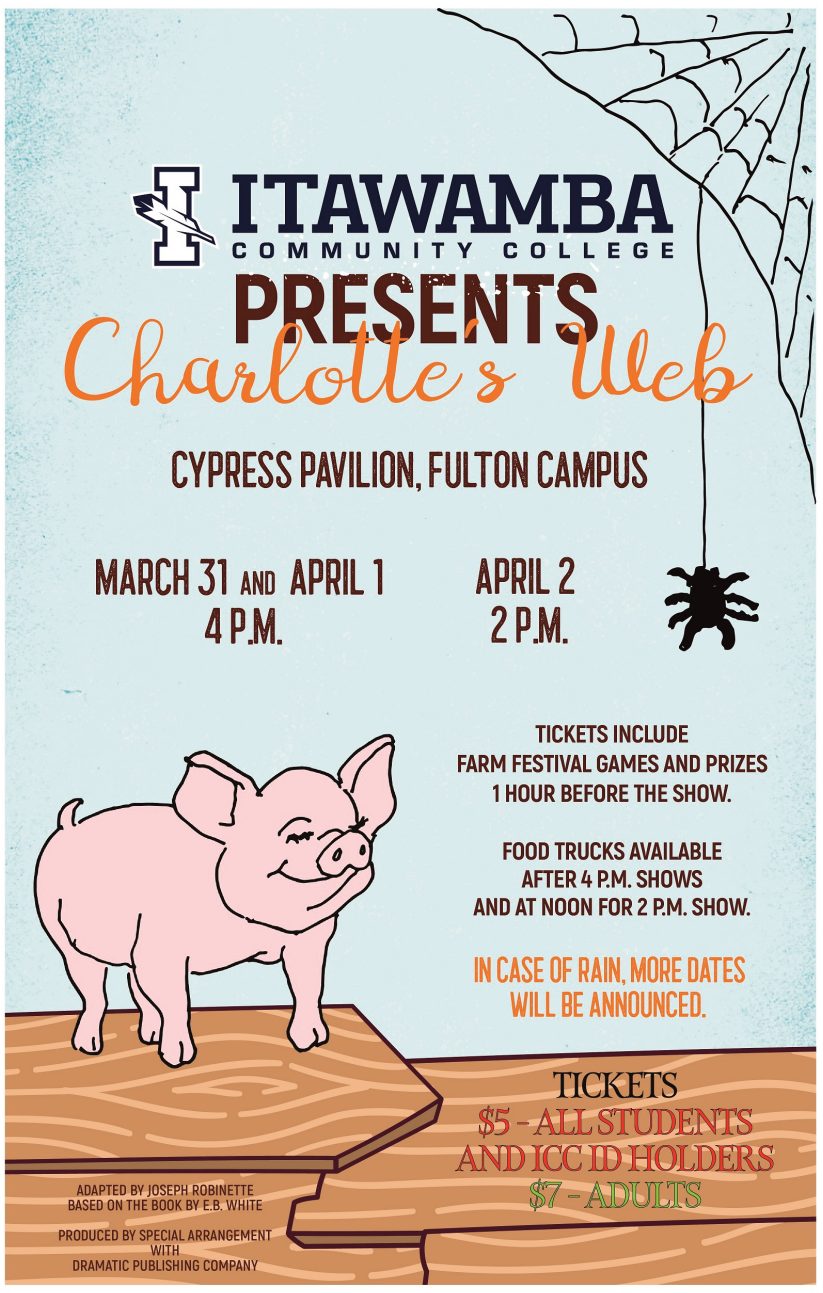
Admission for those with an ICC ID is $5 and for adults, $7.

One hour before the shows begin, there will be farm carnival events with prizes available. The activities are included in admission.

The games will include Feed the Pig, Spider Race, Corral the Sheep, Flickin Chicken, Farm Face Painting and Cheese the Rat. McBride also hopes to invite food trucks after the Mar. 31 and Apr. 1 shows and before the Apr. 2 show.

McBride said that she believes that plays should be entertaining as well as educational, so "Charlotte's Web" will be on the road to two elementary schools in Tupelo, Lawhon and Lawndale. In addition, Language Arts teachers from second to eighth grade within a 60-mile radius have been sent educational packets with fun art, STEM and reading/writing activities based on the children's novel by E.B. White (the author of "Charlotte's Web."

McBride said that this rendition of "Charlotte's Web" was adapted by Joseph Robinette, an award winning playwright who has written over 50 plays and musicals including the Broadway version of "A Christmas Story." This production was designed to have six actors play multiple roles using simple costumes and props.



The ICC students who are participating in the production are:

Bradley Adams (nursing major from Saltillo) - publicity manager;

Cassidy Brophy (music education major from Fulton) - Mrs. Arable, Charlotte and Baby Spiders;

Kelsey Danley (public relations major from Olive Branch) - stage manager;

Elana Dearing (social work major from Tupelo) - Fern, goose, Spectator 1;

Angel Jones (early childhood education technology major from New Albany) - prop and sound assistant;

Gavin Lane (theatre major from Sherman) - Mr. Arable, Avery, Templeton the Rat, Lurvy the Farmhand;

Morgan Miller (early childhood education technology major from Red Bay, Ala.) - Narrator, Carter the Reporter, President of the Fair, Uncle the Pig and Gander;

Caroline Nestor (elementary education major from Amory) - Wilbur the Pig and

McBride (director, speech and drama instructor) - Old Sheep and Uncle Homer.

Interested in summer financial aid?

What you need to know...

Staff Reports

According to an email last week from Itawamba Community College's Financial Aid office, students who are registering for summer school and have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for 2021-22 do not need to do anything to process summer aid other than register for classes with their adviser.

The process includes

*Students do not need to contact the Financial Aid office to initiate this process. There is no form to complete.

*Students should register for classes with their adviser.

*A report will be generated and worked by a Financial Aid staff member. Awards may run a day or so behind the student registration process since it is a manual review.

If students who are Pell-eligible and have registered for at least six hours, a Pell amount for summer will be awarded.

If students are not Pell-eligible but have registered for at least six hours, a student loan amount will be packaged Students will need to log in to myTribe to accept or decline the offer.

Summer aid will be awarded prior to grades posting for the spring 2022 term. If a student is initially awarded summer aid but is then found not to be meeting the terms of Satisfactory Academic Progress at the end of the spring 2022 term, his or her aid for summer will be removed. It is possible that he or she will see aid awarded prior to grades posting, but then see that it has been removed after grades post. SAP notification will be sent to students via ICC email and postal mail.

If GEER (Governor's Emergency Educational Relief Fund Summer Grant Program) funds are awarded by the State of Mississippi for summer, awards will be posted once the award report is received from the State. The ICC Financial Aid office does not determine eligibility for GEER funds.

The $3.5 million GEER II grant from the Mississippi Governor's office will be used to make one-time awards to college students this summer. According to Terry Bland, financial aid director, "The idea is to offer assistance to students affected by the pandemic to keep them on track for graduation or help them catch up if they fell behind."

"While summer Pell requires six hours, GEER will only require three hours of enrollment. It is possible that the student could qualify for both GEER and Summer Pell as long as all of the eligibility requirements are met.

For moe information or assistance, contact the Financial Aid offices at either the Fulton Campus (David C. Cole Student Services Building) or Tupelo Campus (Academic and Student Center).

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HAPPENING
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ICC students place in state art competition

Staff Reports

Three Itawamba Community College students are among award winners in the 2022 MCCAIA State Student Art Competition hosted by Jones College in Ellisville.

They include Kaitlin Stegall of Pontotoc, first place in drawing for "Plum Tea" and honorable mention in drawing for "Caleb's Sunset;" Mia Coggin of Nettleton, third place in painting for "Cooper Dyes His Hair" and honorable mention in graphic design for "Eye Eye Captive;" and Elliana Parker of Saltillo, honorable mention in 3D design for "Patterned Gogh."

More than 170 pieces of art are featured from students competing in eight categories from painting and mixed media to drawing, 2D design, 3D design, digital/computer art, photography, printmaking and ceramics.

Additional ICC students who participated include Taylor Braxton of Amory; Bayleigh Caldwell of Caledonia; Olivia Jones of Mantachie; Michaela Pearson of Pontotoc; Camille Campbell and Ana Chambers, both of Tupelo.

ICC students competed with full-time students from Copiah-Lincoln Community College, East Central Community College, East Mississippi Community College, Hinds Community College, Holmes Community College, Jones College, Meridian Community College, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Northwest Mississippi Community College and Southwest Mississippi Community College.

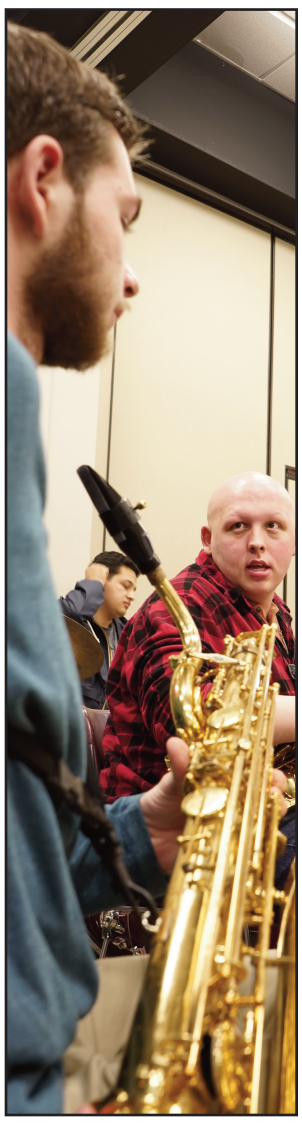
All entries will be on display throughout March. The winners will receive ribbons and cash awards at the show's awards presentation and reception, Apr. 1, at 9:30 a.m. in the Eula Bass Lewis Art Gallery.

For more information about the art show or to arrange a visit to the gallery, call (601) 477-8401. The Eula Bass Lewis Art Gallery is open Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., and Friday from 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The gallery is closed during holidays.



Emcee Gavin Lane interviews students who were part of the actors' panel during ICC Films' recent screening, including from left, Laura Leigh Johnson, Kaylee Heitger, Madeline Mulkey and Nate Hawkins.

ICC Films 'A Night with Rising Stars'





ICC Films presented 'A Night With Rising Stars,' Mar. 8, in the David C. Cole Student Services Building banquet room. Far left, Nate Hawkins performs as part of ICC's saxophone quartet; Left, Gavin Lane talks to the crowd during the event.

Band auditions set for Apr. 9

ANNA GREGORY
Staff Writer

Auditions for the Itawamba Community College All-American Band are scheduled for Apr. 9 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Band Hall on the Fulton Campus.

Current or prospective ICC students are welcome to try out, according to director Ryan Todd.

All requirements for auditions for drum major, color guard, Indianette danceline and instrumental are located at www.iccms.edu, Todd said.

Coming Up...

April 12
Small Ensemble Concert, 7 p.m.
April 14
Guitar Recital - pending
April 19
CenterStage
April 20
Fashion Show/Jazz Band, TBD
April 21
Concert Band, TBD
April 22 or 26
Choir Concert - TBD

Art exhibit features work by ICC alumnus

Staff Reports

The Itawamba Community College Fine Arts Department recently sponsored an exhibition of photographs by Amory resident Bryce Camp, a recent graduate of Mississippi State University and an ICC alumnus. He discovered his passion for art after having taken a class in Art Appreciation at ICC, and it was while transferring to Mississippi State that he declared himself an art major specializing in photography.

Of his work he says, "My current series of photographs of roadside memorials show the beauty that can arise amidst the tragedy of death and loss. Accidents happen every day, but people can transform that grief into something beautiful and constructive. The memorials pictured in my series are all from the North Mississippi area. They were spread out across our corner of the state, but they all represent the same thing. These memorials are not simply crosses or balloons on the side of the road; they represent a lifetime to someone, the route they may have traveled to work or home, the laughter and the tears, and to some, an ease of pain."

His exhibit was titled 'In Memory Of.'



Apply today to participate in May commencement! Deadline extended to Apr. 8.

FYI

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JUST A REMINDER...

Review lockdown procedures

ICC's faculty, staff and students are urged to review campus lockdown procedures.

"The procedures are meant to be very simple because at the point of a lockdown, the major concern is the safety of all of the individuals in the campus community," said Dr. Brad Boggs, vice president of student services.

Notifications will be communicated via ICC ALERT, email and the Emergency Information Web page.

Upon notification of campus lockdown, everyone must react immediately.

The procedures include

1) Lock all doors and windows.

2) Close all blinds.

3) Turn off lights.

4) Use room furnishings to barricade doors and as protection.

5) Everyone should sit on the floor, away from doors and windows.

6) Make no noise.

7) Remain in lockdown until it is cleared with a notice via ICC ALERT or the police/administrator gives te ALL CLEAR code.

In addition, these are procedures in the event of severe weather conditions or evacuation.

Individuals should check ICC's website, www.iccms.edu, for information. It's located under Campus Safety on the home page.

Sign up for ICC ALERT

ICC provides a mass notification system called ICC ALERT.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to participate in the free service.

ICC ALERT has been utilized for inclement weather situations when classes and offices were closed due to snow and icing conditions and when storms threatened the area.

To sign up to receive emergency messages through ICC ALERT: 1) Log on to the myTribe portal using your name and password; 2) Click ICC ALERT system in the link section on the bottom right; 3) Log in with your same username and password as myTribe to add/update your information.

For assistance with technical issues, contact the TIS Help Desk at (662) 862-8295 or via email at helpdesk@iccms.edu.

Litter-free

Everyone is reminded to use trash receptacles for litter. It's up to all of us to show our pride by ensuring that all three locations are litter-free.

No noise

Unnecessary noise is banned at Itawamba Community College, including loud music, yelling and screaming.

Students who are found guilty of noise violations will be fined, and the fine will double with each successive violation.

Campus Police

ICC-Belden...662.687.2752
ICC-Fulton...662.687.2750
ICC-Tupelo...662.687.2751

For more information about ICC emergency procedures... www.iccms.edu



Selective admission deadline nears

May 30 is the deadline for career education selective admission programs at Itawamba Community College. They include electrical, industrial maintenance, robotics and automation and welding. For more information, contact Dylan Baldwin, director of career education, at (662) 407-1414 or email dcbaldwin@iccms.edu.

Wellness Week provides fun events

Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College's Fitness Center and Student Activities are partnering to host Wellness Week, Mar. 28-31 at all three locations - Fulton, Tupelo and Belden.

According to Taylor Tutor, coordinator of student activities, the activities highlight physical, social, spiritual and personal wellness.

The events include

Monday, Mar. 28 - Mindful Monday Yoga, Pavilion, Tupelo Campus, 10:30 a.m.; Tacos and Trivia, Belden Conference Center 509, 11:30 a.m.; Make a Parfait with The Wesley, noon, Crane Pavilion, Fulton Campus; SPIN class, Fulton Fitness Center 231, 2:15 p.m.; Outdoor Yoga, outside Fulton Campus Fitness Center, 3 p.m.;

Tuesday, Mar. 29 - SPIN class, Fulton Fitness Center 231, 5:15 a.m.; Grab-A-Bag, Tupelo Academic and Student Center lobby, 8 a.m.; Have a Smooth Day!, Fulton Fitness Center, 11a.m. (free smoothie to first 25 students); Field Day, Fulton football practice field, 2p.m.;

Wednesday, Mar. 30 - Be OK and Make a Parfait!, Tupelo Academic and Student Center 200, 9:15-9:45 a.m.; Lunch & Learn, Fulton David C. Cole Student Services Building banquet room 2, noon; Relevant with The Wesley, Tupelo dining hall, noon; SPIN class, Fulton Fitness Center 231, 2:30 p.m.; 15 min. Ab burn, Fulton Fitness Center weight room, 3:45p.m.; Mixxed Fit, Fulton Fitness Center 232, 6:30p.m.;

Thursday, Mar. 31 - SPIN class, Fulton Fitness Center, 231, 5:15 a.m.; Lunch & Learn, Belden Conference Center 509, 11:30 a.m.; Beginner SPIN class, Fulton Fitness Center 231, 3 p.m.

For more information on the events, contact Michelle Pruitt, Fitness Center director, at mdpruitt@iccms.edu.

Adult Education orientation, Apr. 5-7

Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College will enroll new adult education students with a three-day orientation session, Apr. 5-7, at the Belden Center (3200 Adams Farm Rd.).

Each session will begin at 8:30 a.m. Participants must have a photo ID, and 16-/17-year-olds should be accompanied by a prent or guardian and bring a withdrawal form from the most recent school attended.

Entry into the adult education area is across from the WIN Job Center at ICC-Belden.



Angeelas Shannon, transition specialist, registers a student for an adult education class.

The class schedule includes locations in Amory, Belden, Fulton, Houston, Pontotoc and Tupelo, and the list is available at www.iccm.edu/adulteducation.

There is no cost for the classes.

GED and HiSET testing is continuing on a weekly basis, and all program-enrolled students take the GED or HiSET free of charge.

For more information on scheduling an appointment, contact Priscilla Trice at pbtrice@iccms.edu or call (662) 407-1513.

For general information about classes or program information, email adulteducation@iccms.edu or call (662) 407-1517.

Needed...Chieftain staff members!!



ICC's cheerleaders pump up the fans during the 2021 football season.

Cheer tryouts scheduled for Apr. 21

Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College has scheduled its 2022-23 cheerleader tryouts for 4 p.m., Apr. 21, on the Fulton Campus in the Fitness Center gym.

Tryouts will include both co-ed and all-women cheer squads.

Clinics are scheduled for 4-6 p.m., Apr. 19 and 20, in the Fitness Center gym. The cost is $30, and checks and money orders should be made payable to Itawamba Community College, according to cheer sponsor Katelyn Stidham.



For tryouts, cheer participants will be required to perform a cheer, the ICC Fight Song, stunts and standing and running tumbling. The cheer and ICC Fight Song will be taught to participants at the clinics.

For more information, contact Stidham at (662) 862-8286 or email akstidham@iccms.edu.

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Itawamba Community College fulfills its mission through (1) College-parallel, technical and career programs to prepare students to transfer or enter the workforce; 2) Continuing education and workforce pathways for individuals striving for professional growth or personal enrichment; 3) Strategic partnerships to provide student opportunities, meet business and industry needs and promote economic development; 4) Adult education programs committed to increasing the literacy level of the adult population, providing self-improvement opportunities, workforce readiness and/or high school equivalency; 5) Resources, including financial, physical and technological to advance educational purpose as well as traditional and online instructional services, student support services and business management; 6) Recruitment and employment of qualified personnel as well as provide ongoing opportunities for leadership training and professional growth to improve skills of faculty and staff; and 7) Services and student engagement opportunities to promote leadership growth and success in educational, career and personal goals.

Candidates for admission to academic and career education programs may be admitted by diploma - students are required to present an official transcript from a high school accredited by the appropriate state or regional accreditation association; by completing the appropriate number of Carnegie units; by successfully completing the high school equivalency test- students are required to have an official copy of the high school equivalency transcript mailed to the Registrar/Director of Admissions; by advanced standing (college transfer students). Students graduating without a regular diploma (Occupational Diploma or Special Education Diploma) must successfully complete the high school equivalency test in order to be eligible for admission to Itawamba Community College. Some career education programs may have selective criteria for admission.

Itawamba Community College is an equal opportunity institution. The College strictly prohibits discrimination in its educational programs and activities, employment practices and admissions processes on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion,ethnicity, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, status as a U.S. veteran or other status protected by applicable law. For more information, contact the Vice President of Student Services , 602 West Hill Street, Fulton, MS 38843, 662.862.8271, or email TitleIXCoordinator@iccms.edu.

In compliance with Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Itawamba Community College makes available its curricular and extracurricular programs and facilities to every qualified person regardless or race, sex, color, creed,national origin or disability.

Itawamba Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges, to award associate degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404.670.4500 for questions about the accreditation of Itawamba Community College.

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Participate in a student activity TODAY!!



CODE BLUE & RED

Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College's Health Sciences Division hosted a Code Blue and Red event, Mar. 11, in the Health Science Education Center at the Tupelo Campus.

Fifty-six students from Itawamba and Lee County Career and Technical Centers and Mooreville and North Pontotoc High Schools were on campus to view this simulation of three scenarios: a COVID patient, labor and delivery and a trauma accident, which showcased seven health science programs, said Michael Holloway, recruitment coordinator and adviser.

A North Mississippi Medical Center ambulance arrived, and students had an opportunity to see first-hand the need for and the role healthcare professionals play in the process. "It was an impactful program," Holloway said. "Our hope is that students saw the 'real-life' expertise used by the graduates of ICC's programs."

Participating programs included students and faculty from Associate Degree Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy Assistant, Paramedic, Respiratory Care, Radiologic Technology and Surgical Technology.

Dean of Health Science Instruction Rilla Jones said that this event was the second of a series of interprofessional education opportunities. "IEP is a new emphasis area in healthcare education. The goal of these efforts is to develop knowledge, skills and attitudes that result in interprofessional team behaviors and competence. The end result was to foster collaboration and appreciation for the various healthcare roles to improve the overall quality of care."









Due this week!

Indian Delegation applications

Applications for the 2022-23 Indian Delegation are due April 1. More information is available at www.iccms.edu.

Foundation scholarships

Applications for 2022-23 Foundation scholarships are due April 1. For more information, contact Michael Upton (662) 862-8035 foundation@iccms.edu

Nominate now!

Staff Reports

Nominations are being accepted for the 2022 Alumnus of the Year and Athletic Hall of Fame inductees at Itawamba Community College through Aug. 1.

Those selected will be honored during homecoming activities this fall at the Fulton Campus.

Criteria for selection for Alumnus of the Year include successful completion of at least one semester as a full-time student at ICC five years prior to the current year and merit and achievement which have brought fame and honor to either his/her community or ICC.

ICC's Athletic Hall of Fame honors former athletes, coaches or individuals who have excelled or those who have made major contributions to intercollegiate athletics while attending or employed by ICC. Athletic Hall of Fame inductees must have been out of school at least 10 years. Additional criteria to be considered are accomplishments and support of ICC.

Forms are available online from the alumni link at www.iccms.edu or by emailing alumni@iccms.edu.

For more information, call (662) 862-8039.



Kirk to retire at end of softball season

Staff Reports

It's every coach's goal to leave their program better than they found it.

Coach Andy Kirk will achieve that goal when and wherever the 2022 softball season ends for Itawamba Community College.

Kirk announced on Wednesday that following the 2022 season he plans to retire as Indians head coach and from coaching.

"It is a big decision in your life when you move on from a great institution like Itawamba has been to me," Kirk said. "Softball and sports have been so important to me and my family, but the Time it takes away from everybody has taken its toll...I'm excited for the next chapter, to move on with my family and spend more time with them, take some vacations, get away from the grind of coaching. My nieces, nephews and grandkids are getting older, and I'm ready to become a fan of theirs."

The Union County native whose career spanned 11 seasons as a college head coach has a 358-121 record. The Indians won the 2012, 13, 14 and 15 North Division championships before the league adopted a 14-team statewide conference in 2016. In the much-tougher format, Kirk guided the Indians to two regular season championships and a runner-up finish as well as one conference title and two runners-up.



ICC Head Softball Coach Andy Kirk fist bumps Kara Hays after her triple in ICC's recent sweep of Hinds Community College. *(Photo by Lee Adams)*

The 2019 season proved to be the most successful in the program's history. The Indians finished 40-16, won their first-ever conference tournament championship and earned both runner-up status in the region tournament and the program's first-ever appearance in the national tournament.

"Coach Kirk's impact on the softball program will be remembered forever, but his legacy will be the influence he has had in the lives of so many individuals who have been part of the program," said ICC President Dr. Jay Allen. "His career has embodied our goals at the college - being successful in the classroom, winning on the field and preparing our students for life after ICC. We wish Coach Kirk and his family the best of luck in this next chapter of their lives."

Kirk, who is the Indians' all-time winningest softball coach, has taken ICC to both the conference and region tournaments since taking over the program in June of 2011. In his career, 14 student-athletes have earned All-American status, and 21 had the opportunity to continue their education through softball scholarships. Over 130 ICC softball players have earned national academic honors, and nearly 200 conference academic honors under Kirk's tutelage.

"We've had a lot of success here and received so many accolades," Kirk said. "We've got a great team this year, one of the best to end my career."

At press time, No. 4 ICC is currently 20-2 on the season and 6-2 inside conference play. The Indians earned the nation's top ranking on Mar. 7, the first program at ICC to be ranked best in the country.

ICC plans to begin the process of hiring the next head softball coach in the coming weeks.

ICC student-athletes earn top honors

Patterson named MACCC Player of Week

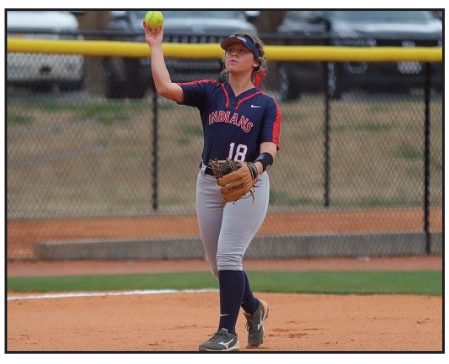
ICC centerfielder McKenzie Patterson was named Softball Player of the Week by the Mississippi Association of Community Colleges.



Patterson

The Corinth native helped the Indians go 4-0 the week prior to her selection.

Patterson had a .500 batting average in the four games, getting five hits in 10 at-bats, including two home runs. She picked up seven RBI, scored eight runs, stole two bases and drew eight walks.



Haylee Alberson pitches against Gordon State.

Alberson selected MACCC, NJCAA Player of Week

ICC freshman Haylee Alberson was named Player of the Week by the National Junior College Athletic Association.

The day before, she was selected as the Mississippi Association of Community Colleges Conference Player of the Week.

She had a big week at the plate, going 6-for-12 and blasting four home runs.

The Hernando native had seven RBI and also added two doubles over four games.

Alberson went 2-for-6 with a pair of doubles and one RBI at then ranked No. 5 Jones College and then 4-for-6 with four home runs and six RBI in the road sweep of Snead State Community College.

At the time of her selection, she had a .346 batting average with 19 RBI and a team-high six home runs.

Cleveland earns All-Conference honor

ICC sophomore guard Fred Cleveland Jr. earned Second Team All-MACCC (Mississippi Association of Community Colleges Conference) honors at the conclusion of the basketball season.

The Chicago, Ill. native led the Indians in scoring last season averaging 17.3 points per game and scoring a total of 363 points.

Cleveland shot 47.5 percent from the field, 43 percent from three -point range and was a 69.4 percent free throw shooter. He also had 130 assists, 52 steals and five blocks.



Cleveland

He scored 25 plus points in five games, including his career-high against Copiah-Lincoln when he had a triple-double of 35 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists.

#RollTribe



Former Pontotoc High School head volleyball coach Annie McGregor has been named ICC's head coach. -
Photo by Adam Robison, Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal

ICC names McGregor as volleyball coach

Staff Reports

Annie McGregor has been named the second head coach in Itawamba Community College's volleyball history, according to a Mar. 10 announcement by Athletic Director Carrie Ball-Williamson and President Dr. Jay Allen.

"I know (Coach McGregor) will bring tremendous talents to our program and continue the growth of our program," Allen said.

In her 10 years at Pontotoc High School, McGregor was assistant coach (2012-13), head coach (13-21) and assistant athletic director.

She was named the Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal Volleyball Coach of the Year after winning the 2021 4A state championship, the first-ever for the program. The Lady Warriors finished runner-up in the 2020 state tournament. McGregor had a record of 134-102 during her time at Pontotoc.

"I'm so excited to be part of the ICC Family," McGregor



said."Everybody here since the beginning of this process has been so welcoming.It truly feels like home. So leaving somewhere I have loved so much, it makes it easy to come to somewhere I have loved so much. It makes it easy to come to somewhere that is so welcoming and so exciting."

As a student-athlete, McGregor played for Clint Jordan at Tupelo High School (06-07, 07-08) and earned First Team All-Division honors in both her seasons as a Lady Wave. She went on to play for the Mississippi State Club Team.

ICC volleyball has made back-to-back trips to the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Gulf District Tournament and compiled a record of 32 wins and 19 losses while facing some of the nation's best competition over the past two seasons.

Last season, the Indians picked up three wins over top20 opponents. ICC finished 13-7 in 2020-21, was named Mississippi Association of Community Colleges Conference Academic Team of the Year and earned honorable mention recognition as the NJCAA Academic Team of the Year.

ICC softball ranks No. 1 for first time ever

Staff Reports

For the first time in program history, the Itawamba Community College softball team ranked No. 1 in the country, according to the National Junior Community College Athletic Association's DII rankings that were released Mar. 7.

At that time the 12-0 Indians swept doubleheaders with Gordon (Ga.) State College and Lansing (Mich.) Community College to take over the top spot in the nation.

"There have been a lot of great players and coaches in the history of this program that have helped build ICC softball to be able to earn this ranking," said Coach Andy Kirk. "This is a special group of young ladies that work hard every day, and it's great to see their hard work pay off this way. We are honored by the ranking, but know there is still a long way to go this season, especially when we step into conference play later this week."

ICC matched its highest-ever ranking when the Indians earned the No. 2 spot in the first regular-season poll of the year.

The No. 1 ranking is the first time any of ICC's athletic programs have earned the top spot in the country, according to the NJCAA.

"it is always a little extra special to be the first at anything in a program's history," Kirk said."This bunch will always have that accomplishment and memory to carry with them. Just like the first regular season championship, first conference tournament championship and our National Tournament teams of the past few seasons."

Itawamba Community College Sports...

ON THE SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

3.29	@East Miss	2/5
4.2	Co-Lin	2/5
4.5	@Jackson St. CC	1/4
4.9	@Southwest	2/5
4.12	Northeast	3/6
4.15	@Pearl River	2/5
4.20	@Coahoma	1/4
4.23	Miss. Gulf Coast	2/5
4.26	Holmes	3/6
4.29	@Meridian	2/5

GOLF

4.8-9	MACCC Championship	
	Wolf Hollow	
4.25-26	District D Championship	
	Castlewoods	

SOFTBALL

3.29	East Miss..	2/4
4.2	@Co-Lin	1/3
4.9	Southwest	noon/2
4.12	@Northeast	4/6
4.15	Pearl River	noon/2
4.20	Coahoma	2/4
4.23	@Gulf Coast	noon/2
4.26	@Holmes	2/4
4.29	Meridian	2/4

TENNIS

3.29	@Holmes	TBA
4.1	@Southwest	2 p.m.
4.5	Meridian	2 p.m.

Note that schedules could change due to weather!

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Selected to the Itawamba Community College Hall of Fame for 2022 include front from left, Leah Pennington, Mina Lucius, Dalena Duong; middle, Chloe Evans, Dionna Huett, Haley Dean, Rohan Patel, Kelly Jo Ashley; back, Weston Steele, Richard Stone, Ely Ward and Hannah Dean.

ICC faculty/staff select

2022 Hall of Fame

Twelve Itawamba Community College sophomores have been selected as members of the prestigious Hall of Fame for 2021-22.

They include Weston Steele of Blue Springs; Dionna Huett of Houlka; Hannah Dean of Houston; Kaleb "Ely" Ward of Mooreville; Kelly Jo Ashley of New Albany; Chloe Evans of Plantersville; Leah Pennington of Randolph; Haley Dean of Saltillo; Dalena Duong, Rohan Patel, Richard E. Stone III, all of Tupelo; and Mina Lucius of Vardaman.

KELLY JO ASHLEY

Ashley's activities at ICC include member of the Mississippi Organization for Associate Degree Nursing Students, Nurses Christian Fellowship and Phi Theta Kappa. Her community and church activities are member of Ingomar Baptist Church and the GFWC Magnolia Junior Women's Book Club. She is the daughter of Edgar and Betty Williamson. She and her husband, Jonathan, have three children, Rivers, Willa and Penn.

HALEY DEAN

Haley Dean is majoring in mechanical engineering at ICC, where she is the vice president of scholarship for the Phi Theta Kappa Upsilon Sigma Chapter; member of the Honors College, Baptist Student Union, Science Club and Indian Delegation; president of the Student Government Association and a previous Orientation Leader. Dean is also a Supplemental Instructor and a student worker in the Telecommunications and Information Services Department. Along with her team, she was named a finalist in the Community College Innovation Challenge sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges and National Science Foundation. She is a recipient of the STEM Summer Internship with Brown University, Mississippi All-Academic Team, ICC Hall of Fame and Miss ICC. Dean has been on the ICC President's List every semester. She attends Harrisburg Baptist Church. Her parents are Leslie and Gary Dean.

HANNAH DEAN

At ICC, Hannah Dean 's activities and honors include president of the Beta Tau Sigma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and the Tupelo Campus Student Government Association, Lead Orientation Leader, Indian Delegate and Dean's List. She is active in drama and on the praise team at the Thorn Church of God, where she also serves as a volunteer. She is the daughter of Anthony Dean and Crystal Dean.

DALENA DUONG

Duong, who is a Supplemental Instruction Leader, is dual-enrolled at Tupelo High School as a Middle College student and ICC, where she will graduate from both institutions this spring. Her parents are Dung Duong and Alejandra Duong.

CHLOE EVANS

Evans' activities and honors at ICC include Band/Indianette, Indian Delegation president, Lead Orientation Leader, Student Government Association At-Large representative, Phi Theta Kappa vice president of leadership, Sigma Kappa Delta president, Honors College member, Chieftain staff writer, Fashion Tribe graphic designer, Baptist Student Union and Wesley Foundation. Her honors include the Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship and the Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship semifinalist. She is the daughter of Brad and Melissa Evans.

DIONNA HUETT

Huett is a member of Phi Theta Kappa at ICC, where she was selected as the 2021 Electrical Technology honoree. Her additional honors include participant in the NASA/IPAC Teacher Archive Research Program for 2019-20. She is the daughter of Kim and Don Huett, and she has one child, Tristan Jennings.

MINA LUCIUS

Lucius, who is majoring in Associate Degree Nursing at ICC, is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. Her other activities include New Hope Baptist Church choir and intern/extern for the North Mississippi Medical Center. She is the daughter of Nathaniel and Charlsie Lucius.

ROHAN PATEL

At ICC, Patel is an Indian Delegate and Phi Theta Kappa social media ambassador. He is dual-enrolled and will graduate from both Tupelo High School and ICC in May. Patel's honors include the President's List. His other activities include landscaping for the elderly or disabled. He is the son of Vinay Patel and Darshana Patel.

LEAH PENNINGTON

Pennington's activities are Phi Theta Kappa vice president of leadership, Fashion Tribe social media executive, Indian Delegation vice president, Orientation Leader, Disc Golf Club ambassador, Baptist Student Union Leadership Team, Honors College, Student Activities student worker, Wesley Foundation and intramural sports. Her honors include Miss ICC finalist and President's List. She is the daughter of Scotty and Christy Pennington.

WESTON STEELE

Steele's ICC activities and honors include Toyota AMT program, Phi Theta Kappa and President's List. He is a member of Endville Baptist Church, where he is children's recreation ministry volunteer and audio/video technician. His parents are Terry and Jeana Steele.

RICHARD E. STONE

Stone is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, Sigma Kappa Delta, Student Government Association treasurer and a Supplemental Instruction Leader. His other current activities are member of the Lee County Republican Executive Committee, secretary of the Lee County Republican Club and district captain at Convention of States. Stone attends Verona Church of Christ. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stone Jr.

ELY WARD

At ICC, Ward is a Supplemental Instruction Leader for college algebra, member of the Indian Delegation, Phi Theta Kappa Regional Officer, Upsilon Sigma Chapter vice president of service and Distinguished Chapter Officer and Food Pantry cofounder. His honors include Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship, Mississippi All-State Academic Team and President's List (every semester). Ward's other activities are ICC intramural basketball and PTK community service events. He attends Endville Baptist Church. His parents are Nathan and Kelly Ward.

ICC's Hall of Fame will be featured in the college's yearbook, the 2022 Mirror.

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